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1-14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:

generating, at a headend <u>of a broadband content distribution network</u>, a plurality of frame sequences of graphics and video to form [[an]] <u>a plurality of interactive program guide user <u>interfaces</u>:</u>

encoding, at [[a]] the headend, the <u>plurality of interactive program guide user</u>

interface interfaces to <u>each include an identifier for uniquely</u> identifying <u>each of</u> the <u>plurality</u>
of interactive program guide user interfaces;

modulating, at a headend, the <u>plurality of</u> encoded interactive program guide user <u>interfaces</u> interfaces to produce an interactive program guide stream;

combining, at the headend, the interactive program guide stream and a broadcast bit stream representing for audio and video of a broadcast video program to form a transport stream for broadcast to all subscribers in the broadband content distribution network;

transmitting the transport stream to a set top terminal a plurality of set top terminals of all subscribers in the broadband content distribution network via an in-band channel of the broadband content distribution network;

in response to a selection signal providing an identifier to <u>a first set top terminal of</u>
the <u>plurality of set top terminals</u> for identifying <u>one of</u> the <u>plurality of</u> interactive program
guide user <u>interfaces</u>, extracting, at a set-top terminal, [[the]] <u>a selected</u> interactive
program guide user interface associated with the identifier for immediate presentation on a
viewer's equipment;

determining, at the first set-top terminal, a view action of moving a cursor to a lookahead time interval within the presented selected interactive program guide user

interface presented on the viewer's equipment;

in response to the determined view action, sending a request from the first set-top

terminal to a session manager at the headend via a bi-directional out-of-band channel of the

broadband content distribution network for an interactive program guide page corresponding

to the determined view action;

retrieving, at the headend, the interactive program guide page corresponding to the

determined view action:

combining, at the headend, an interactive program guide stream having the interactive

program guide page corresponding to the determined view action and a broadcast bit stream

for audio and video of a broadcast video program to form a transport stream; and

transmitting the transport stream to the first set top terminal for extraction, at [[a]]

the first set-top terminal, the interactive program guide user interface from the interactive

program guide stream having the interactive program guide page corresponding to the

determined view action to present is presented in the selected interactive program guide page

user interface corresponding to the determined view action on the viewer's equipment.

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16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15, further comprising:

changing the particular broadcast video display to a new broadcast video display,

upon termination of a navigation command;

wherein changing the particular broadcast video display is accomplished by

generating, encoding, and transmitting video packet streams at the headend.

17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 16, wherein the navigation

command navigates only through favorite channels.

18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15, wherein the interactive

program guide user interface is overlaid the broadcast video presentation in response to a

signal to activate the interactive program guide user interface.

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